IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of Uematsu et al. **Art Unit: 1637** Application Number: 10/083,616 Examiner: Horlick, Kenneth R. Filed: February 27, 2002 PCR PRIMERS AND A METHOD FOR For: **DECIDING A BASE SEQUENCE THEREOF** RECEIVED REGARDING ADENYLATION (As amended) SEP 1 7 2003 **ATTORNEY DOCKET: NITT.0065 TECH CENTER 1600/2900** Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

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This is in response to the office action dated June 27, 2003, in the above identified application, the period for response is set to expire on September 27, 2003. Please amend the above identified application with the replacement paragraphs/sections/claims as follows: